Half of These Are Men Who Married Rich Girls to Escape Work, Says Mrs.

Clarence Burns.

If you have, console yourself with the thought that you are one of Ten Thousand! For, according to Mrs. Clarence Burns, President of the Little Mothers' Aid Association, that figure is a con-

I had gone to Mrs. Burns, who, in her capacity of practical philanthroplst, has studied all sorts of domestic situations for the last twenty years, with a despatch from Chicago concern ing that city's troubles with the home where "everybody works but father." In the new Court of Domestic Reintions a change in the law telating to wife abandonment will be recommended. "One section of the present statute." according to a prominent Chirago then his support is again judge, "now reads, 'abandons and fails That's the whole story." to support his wife." We would have that aftered to read, 'abandons OR fails' to support his wife.' Too many of our like a drone from the hive?' these men fail to support their wives and still hang around. Many of the wives would be glad if they did aban-

Greatest Domestic Difficulty. "The greatest domestic difficulty here," Mrs. Burns agreed, promptly, "is the lary husband, who does nothing but cling to his wife's skirts, because, apparently, the law

don them.'

cannot touch him. "If he is unfaithful his wife can divorce him. If he formally abandons her or is cruel to her she can at leas obtain a legal separation and sue him the shadow of his wife's washboard, is an unpunishable degenerate.

There are twenty thousand women clous." in New York who, for one reason or In New York who, for one reason or "But don't glowing children ever make another, are supporting their families, the husband and father ashamed of his Many of these are widows. In many dependence?" cases the husbands have left home and abandoned their wives alto-

"But I should say that in at least ten thousand families the husband was wholly or entirely supported at the expense of his

"And," Mrs. Burns added significantly, Call these ten thousand instances are not to be found among the poor.

Five Thousand Have Rich Wives.

"The man who marries a wealthy woman does so with the conscious, deliberate idea of being supported! The poor man is much more apt to become a parasite on his wife by pressure of circumstances.

"He probably has a good enough jab then he marries, and for some time lifter. Then whe | perhaps two or three employer. He doesn't yow on the apot is a very fine and delicate thing. never to take another job. In fact, he begins quite anxiously to look for one. But very likely circumstances are temporarily against him. His wife finds that they are getting in debt and thinks are to care for that they are getting in debt and thinks are the law that it is the place of the male to care for that they are getting in debt and thinks. that they are getting in debt and thinks that they are getting in deer and thinks that John has always been a good provider and thinks out by doing a bit of work. She can't break up the home and go into service, but she can do washing or scrubbing or any men who can work and won't work work that only takes her out by the should be made to work. Out of their

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall. day. She never has any trouble in get-Have you a lazy husband in your ting such jobs if she is really in earnest; the supply of scrubwomen is invarianty

less than the demand. Thinks It's Temporary.

"She begins with the conviction that she is merely the makeshift wage-curner, for John will soon get a 'real job.' Meanwhile he stays at servative estimate of the number of first to mind the children and help with promise with sugar refining companies.

New York men who are supported by the housework. He finds it warm and The American Sugar Refining Comto fret because he has no work, and so the Government is said to have evidence necessary. But no matter how many he stops even helping around the house to compel the return of not less than different things have failed, poslan and takes to the street corners, possibly \$1,000,000, the saloons. Perhaps, in despair, his It has just become known that at a tale of the foreman's naving ill-treated him or the hours being too long, and then his support is again up to his wife.

"But why does the woman do it?" I questioned. "Why doesn't she push him

The Problem. "Ah! there you have the psychology of it," answered Mrs. Burns, with a

"The average woman would rather support her husband in their home than have him leave it. She will feed him, clothe him, give him tobacco and beer money, virtually pay him a salary for the privilege of his company before she will dispense with it. And every day of her life she will tell him that she wishes she'd never seen him.

"It is a degrading situation for both for non-support. But the leach type, husband and wife, but it is worst of the man who is always looking for all for the children. Not only are they work and wouldn't take it if it were skimped and stinted materially, for the offered to him, who slinks continually mother's wages seldom equal those which the father could earn if he would. but the example is thoroughly perni-

dependence?"
"That is always the wife's secret hope," admitted Mrs. Burns. "She thinks when Charite enters the grammar school, or Modie brings home a prize for sewing, or even when the youngest of the brood arrives, that at last father will spunk up and get a job. But laziness is a cumulative potson. When one has followed the line of least resistance for a certain time one becomes very nearly incapacitated to becomes very nearly incapacitated to walk on any other.

A Modern Development.

"I should estimate that rather more than half of the lany husbands are men who have married rich girls, with the politely-velled but perfectly understood assumption that they, the men, were to woman worker to obtain paying occupations that they, the men, were to woman worker to obtain paying occupations that they the men, were to woman worker to obtain paying occupations. be taken care of for the rest of their tion outside her own kitchen. It wasn't lives. In fact, the difference between a choice between mother's pay-envelope lives. In fact, the difference between a choice between mother's pay-envelope the rich tiler and the poor idler lies and father's. It was a choice between his and near starvation. The temptation to graft on his wife was non-exist-

working outside her home after mar-

riage""
"I think she should be extremely careful in entering upon such work, said Mrs. Burns, slowly. "Of course sometimes it is right and necessary cometimes it is advisable; sometimes it is definitely interesting and pleasurable

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wife actually secures him work, through recent conference with Attorney-Gensome friend or relative of hers. But he eral Wickersham attorneys for the su-only takes it with the secret determinaonly takes it with the secret determina-tion to drop it as soon as possible. In a day or two he comes in with some last cent."

grow with every day's investigation.

wages they might be given a small allowance every week. The rest should go to their wives and families, just as in many factories the pay envelope of a man inclined to drink is handed to his wife. The wives whose husbands wouldn't work need only report them to the proper officers, and the men would be conscripted and compelled to labor in these State institutions until they took an oath to work steadily if they were allowed to go back home."

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